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the weekly digest

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may we QUOTE you on that?

[1] Sen EVERETT DIRKSEN (R-Ill) on satellite situation: "We've got to get into this with both feet. I think we'll not only catch up with the Russians, but move back into the king row." . . . [2] HARRY S TRUMAN, at a Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner in Los Angeles: "The administration is letting our defense system, on which the free world depends, go to pot—for a mess of pottage called a balanced budget."

. . . [3] Sen HUBERT HUMPHREY (D-Minn): "You can expect the Soviets to act in an arrogant and belligerent manner because they have been getting a little heady from drinking out of the sputnik jug." . . . [4] NIKITA S KHRUSHCHEV, Soviet leader: "A new war cannot be expected in the near future. We deny that war is inevitable. However it is impossible to say that there will be no war. It is known that in some capitalist states there are those in high posts who call for



war." . . . [5] LESTER B PEARSON, winner of '57 Nobel Peace Prize, speaking at Univ of Minn: "We had better awaken

from our illusion of easy technical and material superiority which we have been cherishing because we have a car in every garage, frozen food in every refrigerator and kiss-proof on every lip." . . . [6] DENIS W BROGAN, visiting Prof of Political Science at Yale Univ: "The cost of keeping the royal family falls on the British taxpayer, but much of the entertainment is picked up by other people. I think the Ford Foundation, for example, should contribute to make royal visits commoner and more lavish." . . . [7] DEBBIE REYNOLDS, actress, commenting on her hit record, Tammy: "I'm not even a singer. I've got no business having a hit record. If I can do it, it shows what crazy shape the record business is in."

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moving finger



Much has been said in lighter vein concerning the instability of the French gov't. But the crisis is of grave concern to the entire Western world. The whole philosophy of NATO crumbles if France, its geographical center, lacks a responsible gov't.

One phase of the problem is revealed in the current proposal to exchange military secrets with our allies. There is growing opposition to this move with respect to France where communists have penetrated the political fabric and may play a more significant role if the discredited caretaker gov't is not quickly and resolutely strengthened.

A combination of political and fiscal irresponsibility is of course a very old story in France. But there now looms the sinister threat of runaway inflation. Already the franc has fallen from a ratio of 350 to the dollar (the prevalent standard of recent yrs) to an official devaluation of 420, with free mkt quotations near the 500 mark.

France must have funds to meet

internal debts and pay for imports of raw materials essential to continued full employment. If the money is not available from outside sources, she may resort to the printing press. But for'gn loans are necessarily conditioned upon the premise of a stable gov't. The deceptive superficial prosperity of the country has lulled the populace into a coma of indifference. There is neither the resolution nor the unity required to meet the situation.

Hope, as we write, rests upon Félix Gaillard. The young For'gn Minister has formed a coalition of Socialists and conservatives. If M Gaillard fails in his objectives of "re-establishing our authority within and our credit without" Pres Coty must next turn to the Popular Republican party, where prospects admittedly are not bright. This group—predominantly Roman Catholic—is especially repugnant to the anti-clerical Socialists. Meanwhile, time is running out. And there remains the impending shadow of complete chaos—and communism.



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"He who never quotes, is never quoted"

Charles Haddon Surgeon



ACHIEVEMENT—1

In the U S, to an unprecedent-ed degree, the individual's social role has come to be determined not by *who he is*, but by *what he can accomplish*. — JOHN W GARDNER, *Nylinc Review*, hm, N Y Life Ins Co.

AGE—2

The number of persons 65 yrs old and over in the U S has quadrupled since 1900. Total population has only doubled in the same time.—*Survey Bulletin*.

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If you want to live a long time . . . live as if you were already old. — ERIK SATIE quoted in *Paris Match*, France (QUOTE translation).

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One of the nicest things about old age is that you can whistle while you brush your teeth. — *Brushware*.

AMERICA—3

America is still the land of opportunity. Every day there are those who have contrived some new way to be useful and to make that usefulness pay. There are no last frontiers for an American. Nor will there ever be. There always will be something just a little way ahead that is an improvement upon what has gone before. — GEO MATTHEW ADAMS, *New Outlook*.

BEHAVIOR—4

The saddest man today is the lad who has ulcers and no success to show for his worry. Apparently that includes most of us. We are living in a world that demands a hard if not callous indifference to trifles. And yet we are immersed in them. If we are not anxious about health or bills or exams or labor demands or the tightening newsprint mkt, we can always cause an ulcerous tension by conjuring up what may happen on the morrow.—*Catholic Times*.

BIBLE—5

The question of the authority of the Bible need not trouble the humblest reader. It is not, as a recent writer has said, "a code which fell from the sky, guaranteed by an ecclesiastical imprimatur," but a collection of writing which still breathes upon us the only authority which is worth regarding, the authority or power of the Spirit.—FRANK W MOYLE, *About the Bible* (Scribner.)

CHARACTER—6

Character building is done by piece-work.—E D AUSTIN, quoted in *Royle Forum*, hm, John Royle & Sons.

Quote

washington

By Les & Liz
Carpenter

The drive instituted by some high-ranking Republicans to refurbish Pres Eisenhower's Cabinet (a younger, fresher look may offer the GOP more vote appeal in '60) is now more than half accomplished. With recent exits of Sec'y of Defense Chas Wilson and Atty Gen'l Herbert Brownell, only 4 of the original cabinet remain: Sec'y of Commerce Sinclair Weeks, Postmaster Gen'l Arthur Summerfield, Sec'y of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson and Sec'y of State John Foster Dulles. Benson, favorite target of Democrats (and egg-throwing farmers) may be next to go.

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Publisher Henry Luce here to receive Lebanon's Order of the Cedar decoration, exchanged partisan toasts with Democratic Senator Estes Kefauver, of Tenn. Said Republican Luce: "To Democracy and a Republican form of gov't." The Senator countered with: "To the Republic and a Democratic form of gov't."

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When British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan arrived in Washington close on the glamorous heels of Queen Elizabeth, tv personality Martha Rountree cracked, "What did he come for—to pick up the check?"

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CHURCH—Attendance—7

To some people religious freedom means the choice of churches which they may stay away from.—*York Trade Compositor*, hm, York Composition Co.

COMPASSION—8

The root of the matter (if we want a stable world) is a very simple and old-fashioned thing, a thing so simple that I am almost ashamed to mention it for fear of the derisive smile with which wise cynics will greet my words. The thing I mean is love, Christian love, or compassion. If you feel this, you have a motive for existence, a reason for courage, an imperative necessity for intellectual honesty.—*BERTRAND RUSSELL*, quoted in *Concern*, Nat'l Conf of Methodist Youth.

DIET—9

About the only cause of death I can think of that obesity is not related to is suicide.—Dr FREDERICK J STARE, prof of Nutrition, Harvard Univ.

DRINK—Drinking—10

It is unfortunate today that some regard alcoholism as a disease like cancer. It may end as a disease, but it begins with an act of will, namely to take a drink.—Bishop FULTON J SHEEN.

EDUCATION—11

When a school settles down to making all learners think and act alike, it is taking all the education out of schooling. America has relied on individual differences for the making of its history.—Dr HAROLD R BENJAMIN, Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn, addressing North Eastern Ohio Teachers Ass'n.



mining the magazines

A ballistic missile fired in Moscow, and aimed at London, might very well land in Lancashire, or even sputter into the sea. Because the probabilities are that Russian geography is a bit off. This, at any rate, is the implication given by an item in *Planes*, the magazine issued by the Aircraft Industries Ass'n of America. It tells how, for the past 4 yrs, the U S Air Force has been engaged in re-charting the North Atlantic ocean with precise electronic navigational equipment. Our commonly-used maps, it seems, are in error. The inaccuracies are not serious enough to affect ocean-going ships. But calculations from a faulty map could throw a long-range missile far off course.

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If you sit around all evening watching tv, there's an off chance that you may drop dead—not from sheer boredom, as you might suspect, but for a physiological reason related by Dr Meyer Naide in the current issue of the *Journal of the American Medical Ass'n*. Danger is that pressure from the edge of a chair may cut off blood flow in your legs. This can result in a blood clot. A clot, floating around in the blood stream, may be fatal. Dr Naide cites 3 cases of persons who developed blood clots in this manner. Preventive: Walk around a bit from time to time.

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We mentioned recently that *Playboy* now offers a lifetime sub-

"Our public should accept the poet for what he is and treat him very much as it would like him to treat it. The public has its faults; the poet has his. But both are, after all, as a man said about women, 'the best things that are offered in that line.'" — RANDALL JARRELL, consultant in English Poetry, Library of Congress.

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scription for \$150, with privilege of bequeathing the subscription for one generation. Now, as a special Holiday feature, if you give a lifetime sub at Christmas, the lucky recipient will get a person-to-person phone call on Christmas Day from blonde bombshell Janet Pilgrim, *Playboy's* subscription mgr. At our last check-up a total of 18 lifetime subs had been purchased.

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Broadcasting, a trade jnl in the radio-tv field, carries an editorial in current issue titled, "Let's Break Out the Bottle," the 1st open plea for liquor advertising on the air waves. "At appropriate times, and with appropriate content," says the article, "liquor commercials would be perfectly proper on radio and tv." . . . In its Oct 12 issue, the *Saturday Evening Post* (which accepts no liquor ads, but has been rep'ed on the verge of capitulating) carried 3 cartoons picturing characters in various stages of inebriation.

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EDUCATION—12

Our children should no longer be narrowly prepared for some occupation which may be obsolete when they leave high school or college. They must have an education so flexible that they can think independently and adjust their knowledge to whatever an uncertain future may have in store for them... Children should be taught the beauty and economy of scientific methods of thinking—a willingness to employ methods of observation, reflection and test and a refusal to accept conclusions not warranted by evidence.—AGNES E MEYER, lecturer and author, "Education for a Democratic Culture," *Educational Leadership*, 10-'57.

FAITH—13

Jeremy Taylor once said: "What can be more foolish than to think that all this rare fabric of heaven and earth could come by chance, when all the skill of science is not able to make an oyster."—*Watchman-Examiner*.

GOD—and Man—14

After delivering a sermon on "God's Ownership," the late Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes was entertained by a wealthy plantation owner. At one point, looking over his broad acres and remembering the morning's sermon, he asked, "Do you mean to tell me, Bishop, that this land does not belong to me?"

In a flash the answer came, "Ask me that 100 yrs from now."—Bishop COSTEN J HARRELL, *Stewardship and the Tithe*.

GOOD-OLD-DAYS—15

They call 'em the good old days, but in 1910, if you were in that elite class who owned a car, you paid more than \$1 for every 100 mi's you got out of an automobile tire. Today you can get 100 mi's use out of 10 cents worth of tire—thanks to improved roads and mf'g methods.—*In a Nutshell*.

Quote scrap book

November brings us to the centenary of GEORGE GISSING, the conscientious British author whose philosophical observations have outlived his novels. From his quasi-autobiography, Private Papers of Henry Ryecroft, we take this paragraph:

It is because nations tend to stupidity and baseness that mankind moves so slowly; it is because individuals have a capacity for better things that it moves at all.

GRATITUDE—16

Recently the mayor of a city resigned saying he could no longer afford to give so much time to municipal affairs. To intimate friends he confided, "The phone rang day and night. Perhaps one call in a hundred would be so say 'thanks'." . . . Speaking of the loss to good gov't caused by the resignation, a business acquaintance said, "We waited too long to say thank you." —RUTH MANN, "Saying Thank You," *Adult Bible Class*, 11-'57.

IDEAS—17

When you put good ideas into action you put prosperity to work. When you procrastinate by keeping a good idea until *manana* or "when I get around to it," you are postponing some form of success. —
GERTRUDE CRAMER WILLIAMS, "Put Your Ideas Into ACTION," *You*, 10-'57.

LANGUAGE—18

Sometimes we forget the danger of big words that, to the listener, either mean nothing at all or something different from what we want them to mean. Chas Schwab, who knew hundreds of his steelworkers intimately and was regarded with much affection, used to tell this favorite story:

Arriving at the mill one morning he saw a worker stripped to the waist, bulging arm and shoulder muscles shining in the glow from an open hearth furnace. It reminded him of a famous painting and he called out, "John, you look like an old Rembrandt."

Back came a hearty answer, "Hell, Charlie, you don't look so hot yourself this morning!" —
DON M ALEXANDER, "Big Words Are Dangerous in Selling," *Wkly Animator*, Alexander Film Co.

MARRIED LIFE—19

The art of being a good lifemate is to make molehills out of domestic mountains.—
PHIL MANN, *York Trade Compositor*, hm, York Composition Co.

MODERN AGE—20

The minute men of today are the ones who can make it to the refrigerator and back with a sandwich while the commercial is on.—
Speed Queen News.

Thanksgiving

We can be grateful to a friend for a few acres or a little money; and yet for the freedom and command of the whole earth, for the great benefits of our being, our life, health and reason, we look upon ourselves as under no obligation.—
SENECA.

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If gratitude is due from children to their earthly parents, how much more is the gratitude of the great family of men due to our Father in heaven.

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BALLOU.

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The worship most acceptable to God comes from a thankful and cheerful heart.—
PLUTARCH.

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MODERN AGE—22

Prosperity Note: An underprivileged child today is one who doesn't carry a new leather briefcase to grade school. —
DAN KIDNEY, *Scripps-Howard Newspapers*.

OBJECTIVE—23

A chain store exec says he believes one of the most revealing questions you can ask a young job-candidate is "How much do you expect to be earning at forty?"

"Show me a kid who names a good thumping figure," he says, "and I'll bet he has the ability to make his estimate come true. Bet, I said, not guarantee. But on experience I could give you odds that the confident, expectant boy will turn out to be the successful man." —
Mgt Briefs.

Quote



"... liquid history"

One of the incredible chapters in our literature is the story of JOSEPH CONRAD. Born in Poland 100 yrs ago (Dec 6, 1857) he went to sea at 17, learned our language from London newspapers, and by his own admission "never opened an English grammar in my life." Yet few writers born to the tongue have so completely mastered its nuances; so competently demonstrated its subtle strengths.

On one occasion JOHN BURNS, the British statesman whose centenary we shall soon mark, said to an American visitor who had spoken disparagingly of the River Thames: "The St Lawrence is water, and the Mississippi is muddy water; but that, sir, is liquid history."

Of this same historic stream, in the yr 1902, JOSEPH CONRAD, in Heart of Darkness, wrote one of his more memorable passages:

It had borne all the ships whose names are like jewels flashing in the night of time. . . Hunters of gold or pursuers of fame, all had gone out on that stream, bearing the sword, and often the torch, messengers of the might within the land, bearers of a spark from the sacred fire. What greatness had not floated on the ebb of that river into the mystery of an unknown earth! . . . The dreams of men, the seed of commonwealths, the germ of empires.

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PERSPECTIVE—24

Richard Halliburton wrote of a climb to the top of the Matterhorn. When he and his friend reached the summit the view was breathtaking in sweep and splendor. His friend was about to speak, and Dick waited to hear the profound words. But what he heard was, "I have always wanted to spit a mile, so here goes." In this same vein Elizabeth Barrett Browning wrote of those who stood in the presence of a "burning bush": while some took off their shoes, as Moses did in the Bible acc't, the rest stood 'round and plucked blackberries. This is the tragedy of insensitivity.—CHAS M LAYMON, "On Seeing & Hearing," *Internat'l Jnl of Education*, 11-'57.

PRACTICE—Perfection—25

A visitor once came upon the noted modern musician Pablo Casals practicing very slow scales upon the cello. "But, master," the visitor said, "surely you do not need to practice scales!" The musician repl'd, "Ah, my boy, the whole problem in playing the cello is how to get from one note to the next."—*Christian Herald*.

PROGRESS—26

At the rate science is advancing, some genius will soon invent a sound that will travel faster than planes.—*San Luis Obispo El Mustang*.

RUSSIA—America—27

We are only separated by symbols. I feel no different than any man I met today.—VLADIMIR LAVOROV, Russian Embassy counselor, visiting industrialist-financier CYRUS S EATON, in Cleveland, Ohio.

Week of Dec 1-7

pathways to the past



Nat'l Prosperity Wk

Dec 1—1st Sunday In Advent. . . . **Mother Seton Day** (honors U S founder of Sisters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul). . . 40th anniv (1917) founding by Father Edw Flanagan of the institution now known as Boys Town, in Nebraska. . . 35 yrs ago (1922) sky-writing was 1st demonstrated in N Y C. . . 15 yrs ago (1942) the social security proposals of Sir Wm Beveridge in London (the Beveridge Plan) contemplated public assistance "from the cradle to the grave." Widely criticised as "socialistic" the provisions would today be considered rather moderate.

Dec 2 — Pan-American Health Day. . . . 410th anniv (1547) d of Hernando Cortes, Spanish soldier and conqueror of Mexico. . . 80th anniv (1877) premiere performance of the opera *Samson & Delilah*, by Chas C St Saens, at Weimar. (Franz Liszt, who had urged the discouraged composer to complete the opera, conducted the opening performance.) . . . 30th anniv (1927) of the Model A Ford, successor of the historic Model T. In N Y C alone, a million persons tried to get a glimpse. . . 15 yrs ago today (1942) the Atomic Age began. A self-sustaining nuclear reaction was demonstrated for 1st time by scientists working in secret below the football stadium at the Univ of Chicago.

Dec 3—Feast of St Francis Xavier. . . . 35 yrs ago (1922) 1st Tech-

nicolor motion picture (*Toll of the Sea*) was released.

Dec 4—90th anniv (1867) founding in Washington of Nat'l Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry (popularly known as the Grange) by Oliver H Kelley and associates of the U S Dep't of Agriculture.

Dec 5—175th anniv (1782) b of Martin van Buren, 8th Pres of U S and 1st to be born a citizen of U S . . . 90th anniv (1867) b of Josef Pilsudski, Polish military hero.

Dec 6—Feast of St Nicholas (revered in several European countries as patron of children and bestower of gifts at Christmas). . . 100th anniv (1857) b of Joseph Conrad, Polish-born English novelist (see GEM Box). . . 75th anniv (1882) of a once-in-a-lifetime event, the transit of the planet Venus across the sun. Next show: June 8, 2004.

Dec 7—Feast of St Ambrose . . . 415 anniv (1542) b of Mary Stuart, Queen of Scots. . . 170 yrs ago (1787) Delaware ratified the Constitution, becoming the 1st state to do so. For more than 6 mo's the fate of the document was in grave doubt. Finally, the ratifying action of New Hampshire (9th state) made the Constitution law of the land.

Quote

"of all things"



SAFETY—Safe Driving—28

Power brakes may stop a car on a dime—but it usually costs about \$100 to get the rear end fixed. — *Laurens (Ia) Sun.*

SCIENCE—29

Science is not just a matter of frogs, test tubes and meters. It is a way of thinking that can liberate the human mind from passion, prejudice, and uncriticized custom in all departments of life. — **VAN CLEVE MORRIS**, Rutgers Univ, *Scientific Monthly*.

SUCCESS—30

The best counsel I can give is the advice of a friend in writing to a young man who had just been promoted: "Keep on doing what it took to get started." — **JOHN L MC-CAFFREY**, *Houston Times*.

TENSION—31

A psychologist told me he was making an investigation into the effect of color on the human spirit. He concluded after many experiments that tension, blood pressure and heart action can actually be reduced by proper use of the basic color blue. For example, blood pressure, he found, can be reduced 10 to 12 points by getting the patient into an atmosphere of diffused blue light. This theory is interesting, since many of us have associated blue with being sad or sombre. But there is a much more important and effective way of developing peace of mind and soul as an antidote to pressure and anxiety: by bringing about a coloration of our minds by the pure reflection of our faith. — **Rev NORMAN VINCENT PEALE**, "How to Live with Pressure," *Guideposts*, 11-'57.

Last month, to no one's great surprise, the U S Census Bureau rep'ted that the nation's farm population continues to decline. Altho the trend has been downward for a quarter-of-a-century, last yr's decrease of nearly 2 million in farm dwellers is one of the largest on record. In '50 farm families comprised 16.6% of our population. Now they acc't for a scant 12%.

The decline, of course, reflects reduced need for farm labor, better opportunities in industry and, this yr in particular, the retirement of older farmers who are now eligible for social security benefits.

These conditions are well understood and cause no particular apprehension. In marked contrast, however, a bulletin just in from Geneva declares that the Swiss are considering inducements to "keep 'em down on the farm."

The Helvetians are forsaking their cow pastures, heading for the greater fun and funds proffered by factory towns. Thus a rise in inflation, juvenile delinquency and other ills that have plagued Switzerland's neighbors.

For centuries the strength of the Swiss has resided in its rural population and its proud artisan class. Both now are periled by the rising tide of for'gn investment. And no one knows what to do about it.

TOLERANCE—32

The older we get the less we are sure that the man who disagrees with us is a bigot, a moron, or a scoundrel. We even suspect that he may be as close to being right as we are.—*Ladysmith (Wis.) News.*

WEALTH—33

One day a farmer came to pay his rent to a man whose love of money was very great. After settling the acc't, the farmer said, "I will give you a shilling if you will let me go down to the vault and have a look at your money."

The farmer was permitted to see the piles of gold and silver in the miser's big chest. After gazing for a while the farmer said, "Now I am as well off as you are."

"How can that be?" asked the man.

"Why, sir," said the farmer, "you never use any of this money. All you do with it is look at it. I have looked at it, too; so I am just as rich as you are." — *New Century Leader.*

WOMEN—34

What is the perfect woman? The fanciful recipe of the Hindu god who created woman is as follows: "Take the lightness of the leaf and the glance of the fawn, the gaiety of the sun's rays and the tears of mist; the inconstancy of the wind and the timidity of the hare; the vanity of the peacock, and the softness of the down on the throat of a swallow. Add the harshness of the diamond, the sweet flavor of honey, the cruelty of the tiger, the warmth of fire and the chill of snow; the chatter of the jay and the cooing of the turtledove. Melt and mingle these and woman is the result." — *Wm Feather Mag.*

Mr. Q's column



Altho the American ladies of the press assigned to cover the recent visit of Queen Elizabeth II filed, collectively, enough copy to fill a sizeable volume, one topic they pointedly avoided was the matter of their lodgings in Ottawa. The press gals had been told that, due to congested conditions, it would be necessary to assign them to "smaller hotels." But they hadn't counted on being bedded in bordelloes. One establishment was raided by police during the late evening hrs. A reporter, quartered in another hotel, discovered that her room had never before been rented for more than 2 hrs at a time. Just one of the minor adventures in a pretty strenuous assignment. But the gals stuck it out to the final hankerchief-wave at Idlewild Airport.

And, speaking of sticking, Eastman Chemical Co (a division of Eastman Kodak) announces a new, rapid-set, high-strength glue "strong enough to lift a car with 6 passengers in it." Industrial uses for the new product are now being sought. (The price is a bit steep for the average householder—\$5 an oz or \$75 per lb.)

Those Texas millionaires, it seems, don't get influenza. With them it is affluenza.

Quote

GOOD STORIES you can use...



Now that the Soviet Union has launched a 2nd satellite, with a dog as passenger, we understand their next move will involve the breeding of midget cattle for stellar exploration. Thus Russians will be able to proclaim, "The herd shot round the world." **a**

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Speaking of odd happenings, we just got word of a chap who woke up one morning to discover a rose bush growing out of his head.

Somewhat alarmed, he rushed to his doctor's office and was given immediate admittance.

The doctor gazed at the growth in astonishment. "Now where on earth," he muttered, "do you suppose that plant came from?"

"Well, how do I know?" snapped the man impatiently. "Just look at the card!"—**E E KENYON, American Wkly.** **b**

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Two teen-age girls have frequent sisterly squabbles over the chore of doing dishes. After a recent family dinner, Linda complained, "Gee Mom, I don't feel so good. I've got a headache and I just ache all over."

Her sister, expressing mock concern shouted, "Hurry, call the doctor. She's got the Lazy-atic flu!"—**Capper's Wkly.** **c**

Quote

I Laughed At This One

BARBARA SCHINDLER

When Sarah sold a short story to a nat'l magazine, she suddenly became a celebrity in her little home town. During the height of her flurry of fame, a grandmotherly neighbor asked Sarah if she would read her story aloud to the Literary Club. The young author felt that her creative effort might not be just the type to interest a venerable group nurtured on Dickens and Poe, but nevertheless, she consented.

Sarah was introduced to the group by her neighbor, and as she looked out over the dignified, elderly group, was astonished to hear her introducer say: "Now, all of you who don't see very well, come up front and take a good look. Then, move to the back of the room so those who don't hear very well can have the front seats!"

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The maid had just ans'red the door bell. "It was 2 ladies," the girl explained to her mistress, "and I said that you were not at home."

"And what did they say?" asked the lady of the house.

"One said to the other, 'Well, Friday's not such an unlucky day, after all.'"—**Arkansas Baptist.** **d**

Quote-able

QUIPS

"Madam," said the male strap-hanger, "you are standing on my foot."

"Oh, I beg your pardon," apologized the female ditto. "I thought it belonged to the man sitting down." —*Pacific Oil-Motive Mag.*

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A 70-yr-old man was in the hospital recovering from an operation. He was very sad. It was his birthday, and up to now he hadn't rec'd any presents or greetings. At long last his 3 sons showed up, each one of them empty handed. After a while, the old man mumbled: "Well, I see all of you forgot it was your poor old father's birthday, didn't you?"

The sons were embarrassed to death. "Oh, Papa, forgive us. We've all been so busy we just forgot it."

"I guess I should forgive you," the old fellow said grumpily. "You see, forgetfulness runs in our family. I forgot to marry your mother."

"What!" shrieked the sons in unison. "You mean we're"

"Yes," repl'd the old man. "And cheap ones at that!" — *Wooden Barrel*, hm, Assoc'd Cooperage Industries of America.

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A free-advice-seeking woman asked a farmer what would be good to plant in a spot that gets very little rain due to overhanging eaves, has too much late afternoon sun, has clay soil and is on a rocky ledge.

"Lady," he ans'red, "how about a nice flagpole?" — *Kroehler News*, hm, Kroehler Mfg Co.

Football Season: the short warm-up period between spring practice and the winter bowl games. —HAROLD COFFIN.

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An egotist talks about himself, but the man with enterprise hires a publicity agent. —DAN BENNETT.

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Nowadays it isn't the little red schoolhouse one comes upon, but the little-read schoolboy. —CY N PEACE.

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What the average man wants out of his new car is his teen-age son. —LESTER D KLIMEK.

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A young man often falls for the same kind of girl who hurried dear old dad. —NOEL WICAL.

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The only things that come to him who waits are birthdays and second notices. —IVERN BOYETT.

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Going to a party with your wife is like going on a hunting trip with a game warden. —DONALD R WOOD.

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Of course money isn't everything. It isn't plentiful, for instance. —FRANKLIN P JONES.

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There's no fool like an old fool. You can't beat experience. —CARL ELLSTAM.

Quote

Rise of the Motor Car

When the 1st autos appeared, people said "Get a horse!" Unfortunately, it required cold cash to buy a horse, but the installment plan enabled people who couldn't afford a horse to buy a car.

These were crude affairs, un-equipped with fins, or even lights. However, people seldom went out at night since there were no drive-in theatres or all-night restaurants.

Like the auto, roads were primitive. There were no billboards to relieve the monotony of scenery. Often the driver would be found under the car.

Today, of course, only an unlucky pedestrian is likely to be found under a car. Driving is effortless, allowing the driver to concentrate exclusively on how to meet the next payment.

And if those early scoffers were to witness our wide, modern streets and highways filled bumper to bumper with sleek, powerful cars cutting in and out, or looking for parking places, what would they say:

"Get a horse!"

—GLENN R BERNHARDT.

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"There, now, that didn't hurt, did it?" a Manhattan doctor cheerily asked a suspicious 5-yr-old patient just after administering a Salk-vaccine shot. The lad glared at him. "You mean you never had it done to you?" he repl'd, with tearful indignation.—*New York*. i

Quote

The fellow driving along the highway was stopped by the police who began to write out a ticket for speeding.

"But I was well within the speed limit!" protested the motorist.

"I know," admitted the cop, "but I can't catch up with really fast drivers."—*Pourquoi Pas?* Brussels (QUOTE translation). j

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When I introduced Richard Neuberger as a "distinguished senator," at a convention banquet, he recalled his 1st day as U S Senator 2½ yrs ago. "You know, honey," he told his wife, Maureen, "the use of the word 'distinguished' here in the Senate is very much like when you go to the grocery store and buy olives. The smallest olive is 'colossal'." — BOB HANSEN, *Eagle Mag.* k

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Two cannibals were sitting around chatting amiably after a hearty meal. "That was some meal," commented the 1st, licking his lips.

"Yes, my wife makes a wonderful soup," repl'd the host, "but I'm sure going to miss her!"—E E KENYON, *American Wkly.* l

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Dr E W Garrett told me he had recently attended a reunion of his class at Western Reserve Univ. When his turn came to offer his biography, he decided to find out if anyone was listening, so he told them he had been happily married for 28 yrs and had a son 30 yrs old. Nobody peeped except the classmate beside him, who whispered after the doctor finished his speech that he must have got his dates mixed.—*Wm Feather Mag.* m

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What's Par?

*Scythe with a golf club grip, built
to swing like a fine iron. Groove
your swing while you trim the lawn.*
—Advertisement.

It's a wonderful thing to get into
the swing,

Or into the groove, if you will,
To get yourself trim while you trim
with vim,

And do good with your golfing
skill.

So swing at the edge of the lawn
by the hedge,

Or along by the side of the wall,
And it's only a joke if you dub a
stroke,

And you never will lose a ball.

Grip the handle right, and don't
hold too tight,

Keep your left arm straight, and
pivot.

It being your lawn that you're
playing on,

Don't take too much of a divot.

Watch that bobbing head or your
flower bed

Will be edged with a sort of a
scallop,

And your wife will come out with
an anguished shout

And you'll run from a threaten-
ed wallop.

To better your score and perform
a chore

Both at once, is a fine sensation.
All you need is the price of this
useful device

And a lively imagination.

No matter what happens, the American people will make jokes about it. Currently there are remarks about maybe it will rain cats and dogs, and Sputnik II has become "Muttnik."

The story most widely circulated, tho., comes in the form of a question. Why, half a hundred people already have asked us, did the Russians use a dog instead of Marshal Zhukov in the latest satellite?

We think we can answer that one. Obviously, if Sputnik II is to remain in its orbit, the Russians can't afford to have such a deviationist aboard.—*Wall St Jnl.* n

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The yr-old brother had a habit of getting into his 3-yr-old sister's playthings, much to her dismay. One day she found most of her favorite toys scattered all over her room. She immediately began crying, scolding, and fussing at the baby.

Her mother tried to console her by saying, "Remember, you must be nice to Steve because God sent him to us from Heaven." Without hesitation she firmly repl'd, "I don't think he was sent, I think he was pushed!"—*Capper's Wkly.* o

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A bandanna'd old Mammy walked into Antoine's in New Orleans and ordered corn pone and grits. Told there was none on the menu she walked out sighing, "I guess you folks just ain't ready for integration!"—MIKE CONNOLLY, Hollywood Reporter. p

Quote

Quote-ettes

Sen JOHN W BRICKER (R-Ohio): "The world has had 40 yrs to contrast the U S with Russia. If any people now cast their lot with Communist Russia, you may be sure that not even a round-trip to Mars by John Foster Dulles would alter their decision." 1-Q-t

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DELVINA WHEELDON, 1st woman passenger to break sound barrier at 830 mph: "I'd rather put my life into the hands of a jet pilot who's had \$100,000 worth of training than in the hands of an automobile driver who has just picked up his know-how." 2-Q-t

SECOND CLASS MATTER

news of the NEW

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More gift suggestions this wk: For youngsters or adults who are addicting to model-making, Revell, Inc., has brought out the 1st plastic bld-an-animal kit. Kit comes complete with instructions for putting together a life-size plastic squirrel (modeled on Walt Disney's treetop heroine, Perri), brushing on its fur coat, and fixing its whiskers and green-tinted eyes in place. \$1.98.

Know anybody with a new house? This might be an ideal gift—a doorbell which eliminates fumbling in the dark. It's translucent plastic, mounted by a lighted house number. Whole assembly is remov-

able. \$7.95 from Chapman Products, 19400 W Eight Mile Rd, Detroit, Mich.

Pet lovers who travel would be glad to receive a portable dog house. It's made of weatherproof canvas, is 21" wide, 27" long, 21" high, folds to 2" thick. \$9.95 from B C Moses, 3019 Prospect Ave, Houston 4, Tex.

Skiers should like a new camera mount which helps them get better pictures. Mount attaches to ski pole, which acts as tripod when stuck in snow. \$12.95 from Span Instruments Co, 2360 Sheffield Dr, Kalamazoo, Mich.

